

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the subject application as amended. In response to the Office Action mailed 6/25/04, Applicant is filing this amendment. Claims 1-4, 8, 19-22 and 26 are still pending.

In the Office Action mailed 6/25/04, the Examiner has noted a restriction requirement. Applicant's attorney confirms the provisional election made in the telephone conference of 6/23/04, in which claims 1-8 and 19-26 were elected. Accordingly, please cancel non-elected claims 16-18 and 27-29.

The Examiner has rejected claims 8 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicant submits that the amended claims 8 and 26 now clearly define the coupling of the bandgap generator to the operational amplifier circuit. Accordingly, Applicant requests for the Examiner to withdraw the 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, rejection.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-6 (and presumably claims 19-24) under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Holst et al. (U.S. 5,999,039; Holst). However, the Examiner has noted allowable subject matter in dependent claims 7 and 25. Applicant submits that independent claims 1 and 19 now include recitation of the allowable subject matter, which is not disclosed in Holst. Accordingly, Applicant requests the Examiner to withdraw the 35 U.S.C. §102(b) rejection.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw all rejections and objections and allow pending claims 1-4, 8, 19-22 and 26, as amended.

Furthermore, Applicant is submitting an IDS concurrently with this response.

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